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programming events

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Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d), copies of the patents and other references cited on the attached PTO-1449 are not provided herein as copies have already been provided in the prior applications for which this application claims priority, to wit: 08/598,382; 08/443,607; 08/166,608; and 07/797,298. However, a copy of U.S. Pat. No. 5,585,858 which issued December 17, 1996 to Harper et al. is enclosed. This patent is indicated with an asterik on page 16 of the enclosed PTO-1449.

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